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Mr. John Baty
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RE: OPPOSITION to a FULL SERVICE GROCERY OPERATION
expansion at the Evergreen Community College site.

Dear Mr. Baty,

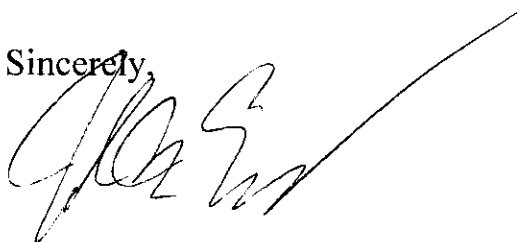
I am a concerned resident writing to you to express my opposition to allowing a full service grocery operation to be developed at the Evergreen Community College site.

It is no secret that the already existing food markets such as Cosentino's and Lunardi's have both been struggling to maintain their operations. Clearly placing another grocery operation centered between these to already existing neighborhood commercial sites will nothing but harm them. If the Cosentino's and Lunardi's food markets fail, then the adjoining tenants will suffer greatly and begin to fail as well. It is obvious to expect that the existing centers will be condemned to becoming blighted third rate shopping centers. We enjoy our shopping center and the area that it's in. Silver Creek is such a beautiful area and we don't want our community to have to compete with the big stores. Also Have you considered the traffic problem it creates for our area? Try driving down Yerba Buena toward 101 in rush hour traffic and you will clearly see this is not the right thing to do.

That is not good planning and it is a plan which I can't endorse. Many of us in the community are of the same thoughts.

In conclusion I hope you understand and agree with my position.

Sincerely,

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